



“ NEW AND IMPROVED ”



[ 2020 REVISED ]  
**DETACHMENT OF ILLINOIS  
PAID - UP - FOR - LIFE  
MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM**

**What is a Paid-Up-For-Life Membership?**

It is a membership you purchase with:

- 1). A lump sum or
- 2) With 24 monthly time payments.

**Once the total payment is received you are a Paid-Up-For-Life Member of The Sons of The American Legion as a member in the Detachment of Illinois.**

This assures you of all the benefits of Sons of The American Legion membership for life, with no additional future payment **as long as your membership is in a Squadron in the Detachment of Illinois.**

**Who is eligible?**

**Any member of a Squadron in the Detachment of Illinois** in good standing (with dues paid for the current calendar year) and has a nine digit membership number.

**How much will it cost me?**

Your cost is based on:

1). The annual dues amount your squadron will authorize to be used to purchase the program

1) Your age.

A). **If you are under age 18,** there will be an additional charge..

**Where does my money go?**

The American Legion, Department Headquarters, maintains a special “Paid-Up-For-Life” Membership escrow account. Money from this account can be used only to pay annual dues each year to the Detachment and National Headquarters and any rebate due to your Squadron. Time payments are held in a separate account until your membership is paid in full and then the funds are transferred to the PUFL account.

**Can a “Paid-Up-For-Life Membership” be purchased by anyone as a gift to a member?**

**YES:**

Anyone (Father, Mother, Wife, Son, Daughter, Brother, Sister, Grandparent, Aunt, Uncle, Friend, Post, Unit, Squadron, Riders Chapter or other) may use either payment

method to present a "PUFL Membership" to a member as a gift.

### **Do I have to pay the full amount all at once?**

**NO:**

#### **What kind of payment is accepted?**

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Department Headquarters ),

**Time payment** ( 24 month period ).

### **What if my Squadron's dues increase?**

**You are already covered!**

One of the best parts of a "Paid-Up-For-Life" membership is that it automatically includes any dues increase. So no matter what inflation does, you never have to pay another penny in dues.

### **What if I want to transfer to another Squadron?**

**Within the Detachment of Illinois:**

**No problem !** Once the transfer is completed you would be issued a new "PUFL" card showing that you are a member of that Squadron.

**To a Squadron outside of the Detachment of Illinois:**

As the "SAL PUFL Membership Program" is a Detachment of Illinois program (we cannot pay dues to a Squadron in another Detachment).

You would have to begin paying your dues in that Squadron, to maintain your continuous membership and consecutive years.

For either of the payment options below you may use Check, Money Order or Credit/Debit card (MasterCard, Visa, Discover or American Express).

**Full payment** ( single one time payment ).

In addition to the above you may also use Cash ( **only** if hand carried to

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If you later transferred back to any Squadron in the Detachment of Illinois your "PUFL" membership could be reinstated ( no processing fee ), upon a written request to the PUFL Administrator

### **How do people know that I'm a Paid-Up-For-Life Member?**

Once the cost of your membership has been paid in

full, you will receive a permanent plastic card identifying you as a "Paid-Up-For-Life" member.

Along with your plastic membership card you will also receive a lapel pin and a cap pin. You will also receive an annual membership card each year, at no additional cost.

Each year you will receive your new annual paper Membership card direct from Detachment Headquarters.

### **Is a "Paid-Up-For-Life Member" the same as a "Honorary Life Member"?**

**NO.**

A "Paid-Up-For-Life Membership" is purchased, while a "Life Membership" is honorary and provided by the member's Squadron. A Squadron may, however, find purchasing "Paid-Up-For-Life Memberships",

on behalf of honorees, the most economical way to provide Life Memberships.

This in no way affects the members "Honorary Life Membership" status.

### **Are there ever any refunds?**

Refunds (minus any used funds and fees) will be made ONLY on written request if:

- 1). Within the first 12 months of participation (single or time pay) if the member dies (no processing fee) or transfers to a Squadron in another Detachment (a \$50.00 processing fee).
- 2). At any time if the individual is found to not be eligible for membership ( a \$100.00 fee )

Failure to make "Time Payments", in an appropriate manor, will cause the program to be terminated and there will be NO REFUND of amounts paid. If the individual re-applies at a later date any previous payments WILL NOT be applied to the new application..

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**HOW TO OBTAIN A “PAID - UP - FOR - LIFE MEMBERSHIP”**

**Any member of The Sons of The American Legion, who is a member of a Squadron in the Detachment of Illinois, in good standing (current year dues are paid), and they have been issued a 9 Digit “Membership Number” is eligible.**

- 1). **Applications submitted after 1 July thru 15 December** (of any year), for a member who **HAS NOT PAID THEIR DUES FOR THE FOLLOWING (new) MEMBERSHIP YEAR MUST ATTACH ALL THREE (3) PORTIONS OF THE NEW MEMBERSHIP YEAR’S CARD, with the “PUFL application”.** **NO additional “Per-Capita” funds are necessary.** ( *The PUFL will cover the “new year Card”.* )
- 2). **Applications submitted after 1 July (of any year),** for a member who **HAS PAID THEIR DUES FOR THE FOLLOWING (new) MEMBERSHIP YEAR,** submit only the **PUFL Application”** and appropriate payment (full or time pay).
- 3). **Applications submitted after 15 December (of any year),** for a member who has **NOT PAID THEIR DUES FOR THE FOLLOWING (new) MEMBERSHIP YEAR,** submit the **PUFL Application”** and appropriate payment (full or time pay) **AND the Detachment and National portions of the new year Membership Card AND A SEPARATE CHECK FOR ONE YEAR’S PER-CAPITA.**

**COST OF A “PAID-UP-FOR-LIFE” MEMBERSHIP**

{ Rate Chart and application should be included with this brochure }

The cost of a PUFL membership is based on two factors:

- 1). The member’s age ( as of their last birthday) at the time of purchase ( in full or application for time payment ).
- 2). The amount, authorized by the Squadron Adjutant, to be used as the “Squadron Dues Amount”; **HOWEVER IT CAN BE NO LESS THAN** the combined amount of the National and Detachment per-capita [ rounded to the next highest dollar ] plus an additional two dollars ( \$2.00 ).

**A, If you are under the age of 18.** You would add an amount, in addition to the amount from ( age column 18 to 24) above, equal to **1½ times the combined annual National and Detachment per-capita amounts [ rounded to the next highest dollar ] for the number of years you are under the age of 18.**

There is **NO** annual rebate to a Squadron for a PUFL membership purchased at the minimum ( 2021 = \$15.00 ) amount. Any annual rebates will be made only on the amounts above the minimum and are usually made annually as a “debit” to the Squadrons Detachment Headquarters Membership account.

**Age 17 or under:**

- 1). Find your age column ( *indicated at the top of the page* ) – ( *as of your last birthday* ).
- 2). Find the dollar amount your Squadron Adjutant authorized for you to use as the annual dues amount for your PUFL purchase – ( the column along the left edge of the rate chart ).  
[ ANY AMOUNT LESS THAN \$15.00 IS NO LONGER AVAILABLE FOR USE. ( 2021 ) ]
- 3). Go down the “Age Column” and across the “Dues Column” and where they meet that is the **cost of your “PUFL Membership”**. [ *If you are under the age of 18, see the “17 & Under on next page* ].

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**Age 17 or younger:**

- 1). You will use the first ( left ) “Age Colimn” ( 18 to 24 ).
- 2). Find the dollar amount your Squadron Adjutant authorized for you to use as the annual dues amount for your PUFL purchase – ( the column along the left edge of the rate chart ).
- 3). Calculate the number of years there are until your “18<sup>th</sup> “ birthdate.
- 4). Calculate the under 18 fee:

Add the amount of National Per-Capita ( 2021 = \$5.00 ) to the amount of Detachment Per-Capita ( 2021 = \$8.00 ) and then multiply this amount by “1.5” and then, if necessary, round to the next highest full dollar [  $\$5.00 + \$8.00 = \$13.00 \times 1.5 = \$19.50$ , rounded up to \$20.00 ]; then multiply this amount by the number of years the member is under the age of 18.

- 5). Add the figure from step 2. To the figure from step 4. and this is the total cost of your “PUFL Membership”.

**PAYMENT METHODS**

Payment may be made by Check or by Credit/Debit Card (Master Card, Visa, Discover, American Express).

**Single (one time payment in full) payment.**

**Time payment plan:** All payments, the initial amount and monthly payments **MUST** be in whole dollar amounts **ONLY**. Any amount, above the minimum required, may be submitted with the application.

**Initial amount:**

**Age 18 or older:**

\$100.00

**Age 17 and under:**

\$100.00 plus:

**Age 13 and older:**

Full amount of the “under 18” adjustment.

**Age 12 and under:**

5 years of the “under 18” adjustment. [ *The balance of the “adjustment” will be included in the “time payment plan”* ].

**PUFL MEMBERSHIP CARD AND PINS**

Once the PUFL is paid in full you will be issued a plastic “Membership Card”, a small “Lapel Pin” and a larger “Cap Pin”. *Annual (paper) membership cards, for PUFL members, will be mailed to you direct from Detachment Headquarters.*

**MAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION TO**

Sons of the American Legion, Detachment of Illinois, 2720 E. Lincoln St., Bloomington, IL  
61704

**SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, DETACHMENT OF ILLINOIS**  
**RATES EFFECTIVE: 1 FEBRUARY 2020**

DUES	AGE GROUP													
	18 24 #	25 29	30 34	35 39	40 44	45 49	50 54	55 59	60 64	65 69	70 74	75 79	80 84	85 & Over
\$ 15	\$ 742	\$ 717	\$ 690	\$ 661	\$ 629	\$ 595	\$ 557	\$ 516	\$ 474	\$ 432	\$ 390	\$ 350	\$ 314	\$ 288
\$ 16	\$ 778	\$ 752	\$ 723	\$ 692	\$ 658	\$ 621	\$ 581	\$ 537	\$ 492	\$ 447	\$ 403	\$ 360	\$ 321	\$ 294
\$ 17	\$ 814	\$ 786	\$ 755	\$ 722	\$ 686	\$ 647	\$ 604	\$ 558	\$ 510	\$ 462	\$ 416	\$ 370	\$ 329	\$ 300
\$ 18	\$ 850	\$ 820	\$ 788	\$ 753	\$ 715	\$ 673	\$ 628	\$ 579	\$ 529	\$ 478	\$ 428	\$ 380	\$ 336	\$ 306
\$ 19	\$ 886	\$ 855	\$ 821	\$ 784	\$ 743	\$ 700	\$ 652	\$ 600	\$ 547	\$ 493	\$ 441	\$ 390	\$ 344	\$ 312
\$ 20	\$ 923	\$ 889	\$ 853	\$ 814	\$ 772	\$ 726	\$ 676	\$ 621	\$ 565	\$ 509	\$ 454	\$ 400	\$ 352	\$ 318
\$ 21	\$ 959	\$ 924	\$ 886	\$ 845	\$ 801	\$ 752	\$ 700	\$ 642	\$ 583	\$ 524	\$ 466	\$ 410	\$ 359	\$ 323
\$ 22	\$ 995	\$ 958	\$ 919	\$ 876	\$ 829	\$ 779	\$ 723	\$ 664	\$ 602	\$ 540	\$ 479	\$ 420	\$ 367	\$ 329
\$ 23	\$ 1,031	\$ 993	\$ 951	\$ 907	\$ 858	\$ 805	\$ 747	\$ 685	\$ 620	\$ 555	\$ 492	\$ 430	\$ 374	\$ 335
\$ 24	\$ 1,067	\$ 1,027	\$ 984	\$ 937	\$ 886	\$ 831	\$ 771	\$ 706	\$ 638	\$ 571	\$ 505	\$ 440	\$ 382	\$ 341
\$ 25	\$ 1,103	\$ 1,062	\$ 1,017	\$ 968	\$ 915	\$ 858	\$ 795	\$ 727	\$ 657	\$ 586	\$ 517	\$ 450	\$ 390	\$ 347
\$ 26	\$ 1,139	\$ 1,096	\$ 1,049	\$ 999	\$ 944	\$ 884	\$ 819	\$ 748	\$ 675	\$ 601	\$ 530	\$ 460	\$ 397	\$ 353
\$ 27	\$ 1,176	\$ 1,131	\$ 1,082	\$ 1,029	\$ 972	\$ 910	\$ 842	\$ 769	\$ 693	\$ 617	\$ 543	\$ 470	\$ 405	\$ 359
\$ 28	\$ 1,212	\$ 1,165	\$ 1,115	\$ 1,060	\$ 1,001	\$ 936	\$ 866	\$ 790	\$ 711	\$ 632	\$ 555	\$ 480	\$ 412	\$ 365
\$ 29	\$ 1,248	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,147	\$ 1,091	\$ 1,029	\$ 963	\$ 890	\$ 811	\$ 734	\$ 648	\$ 568	\$ 490	\$ 420	\$ 371
\$ 30	\$ 1,284	\$ 1,234	\$ 1,180	\$ 1,122	\$ 1,058	\$ 989	\$ 914	\$ 832	\$ 748	\$ 663	\$ 581	\$ 500	\$ 427	\$ 376
\$ 31	\$ 1,320	\$ 1,269	\$ 1,213	\$ 1,152	\$ 1,087	\$ 1,015	\$ 937	\$ 853	\$ 766	\$ 679	\$ 593	\$ 510	\$ 435	\$ 382
\$ 32	\$ 1,356	\$ 1,303	\$ 1,245	\$ 1,183	\$ 1,115	\$ 1,042	\$ 961	\$ 874	\$ 784	\$ 694	\$ 606	\$ 520	\$ 443	\$ 388
\$ 33	\$ 1,392	\$ 1,338	\$ 1,278	\$ 1,214	\$ 1,144	\$ 1,068	\$ 985	\$ 895	\$ 803	\$ 710	\$ 619	\$ 530	\$ 450	\$ 394
\$ 34	\$ 1,428	\$ 1,372	\$ 1,311	\$ 1,244	\$ 1,172	\$ 1,094	\$ 1,009	\$ 916	\$ 821	\$ 725	\$ 631	\$ 540	\$ 458	\$ 400
\$ 35	\$ 1,465	\$ 1,406	\$ 1,343	\$ 1,275	\$ 1,201	\$ 1,121	\$ 1,033	\$ 937	\$ 839	\$ 740	\$ 644	\$ 550	\$ 465	\$ 406
\$ 36	\$ 1,501	\$ 1,441	\$ 1,376	\$ 1,306	\$ 1,230	\$ 1,147	\$ 1,056	\$ 959	\$ 857	\$ 756	\$ 657	\$ 560	\$ 473	\$ 412
\$ 37	\$ 1,537	\$ 1,475	\$ 1,409	\$ 1,337	\$ 1,258	\$ 1,173	\$ 1,080	\$ 980	\$ 876	\$ 771	\$ 670	\$ 570	\$ 480	\$ 418
\$ 38	\$ 1,573	\$ 1,510	\$ 1,441	\$ 1,367	\$ 1,287	\$ 1,199	\$ 1,104	\$ 1,001	\$ 894	\$ 787	\$ 682	\$ 580	\$ 488	\$ 423
\$ 39	\$ 1,609	\$ 1,544	\$ 1,474	\$ 1,398	\$ 1,315	\$ 1,226	\$ 1,128	\$ 1,022	\$ 912	\$ 802	\$ 695	\$ 590	\$ 496	\$ 429
\$ 40	\$ 1,717	\$ 1,579	\$ 1,507	\$ 1,429	\$ 1,344	\$ 1,252	\$ 1,152	\$ 1,043	\$ 930	\$ 818	\$ 708	\$ 600	\$ 503	\$ 435
\$ 41	\$ 1,681	\$ 1,613	\$ 1,539	\$ 1,460	\$ 1,373	\$ 1,278	\$ 1,175	\$ 1,064	\$ 949	\$ 833	\$ 720	\$ 610	\$ 511	\$ 441
\$ 42	\$ 1,717	\$ 1,648	\$ 1,572	\$ 1,490	\$ 1,401	\$ 1,305	\$ 1,199	\$ 1,085	\$ 967	\$ 848	\$ 733	\$ 620	\$ 518	\$ 447
\$ 43	\$ 1,754	\$ 1,682	\$ 1,605	\$ 1,521	\$ 1,430	\$ 1,331	\$ 1,223	\$ 1,106	\$ 985	\$ 864	\$ 746	\$ 630	\$ 526	\$ 453
\$ 44	\$ 1,790	\$ 1,717	\$ 1,637	\$ 1,552	\$ 1,458	\$ 1,357	\$ 1,247	\$ 1,127	\$ 1,003	\$ 879	\$ 758	\$ 640	\$ 534	\$ 459
\$ 45	\$ 1,826	\$ 1,751	\$ 1,670	\$ 1,582	\$ 1,487	\$ 1,384	\$ 1,271	\$ 1,148	\$ 1,022	\$ 895	\$ 771	\$ 650	\$ 541	\$ 465
\$ 50	\$ 2,007	\$ 1,924	\$ 1,834	\$ 1,736	\$ 1,630	\$ 1,515	\$ 1,390	\$ 1,254	\$ 1,113	\$ 972	\$ 835	\$ 701	\$ 579	\$ 494

**# MEMBERS UNDER THE AGE IF 18:** Use the Age 18 to 24# column and add the "Under 18 Fee" to the amount indicated for the appropriate dues amount used.

**HOW TO CALCULATE FEE:**

2021 National Per-capita: \$ 5.00  
 2021 Detachment Per-capita: 8.00  
 2021 Annual Per-capita: \$13.00  
 x Under 18 multiplier: 1.5  
 Under 18 Fee calculation: \$19.50  
 + Rounded to next \$1: .50  
 = Annual Under Age 18 Fee: \$20.00

**YEARS UNDER 18:**

Age: 18  
 You are: 9  
 Extra Fee for: 9 Years  
 x Annual Fee: \$ 20.00  
 Total Fee: \$180.00  
 Add this amount to the dues amount" being used.

**IF PAYING IN FULL::**

The appropriate amount in the dues column plus the total "Under 18 Fee".

**IF MAKING TIME PAYMENTS:**

Regular minimum over 18 amount: \$100.00 plus 5 years (unless there are less than 5 years) of the "Under Age Fee", the balance will be added the the balance being paid thru the time payments.

If the Squadrons dues are not shown above, call the Detachment PUFL Administrator (217)-898-1362 (02-01-2020) Prior copies are obsolete

[ THIS FORM MAY BE DUPLICATED ]



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**INFORMATION AND APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

**MEMBER INFORMATION SECTION:**

1. The applicant must be a member in good standing, meaning the member MUST have a valid membership card for the current Sons of The American Legion Membership Year and have been issued a nine (9) digit national membership number
2. The member's name on the application should be the same as on his "membership card", and his address, full birth date and "National" nine digit membership number must be completed.
3. The "Dual Member" line, if left blank, will be considered a "No".
4. An application for the program, with the knowledge of the member should contain his signature, even if he is under the age of 18.
5. If this is a "gift", the person responsible for the gift MUST sign in the "Payment Section" and their "Name and Address must appear in the "Gift Section" at the bottom of the form.

**AUTHORIZATION SECTION:**

1. **THIS SECTION MUST BE DATED & SIGNED BY ONE OF THE INDICATED OFFICERS!**
2. Indicate the number of the Squadron.
3. The "Authorized ("Dues") Amount" may or may not be the actual Squadron dues. This IS the amount that the cost of the PUFL will be based on. *This may be "any amount", minimum allowable or above, that the Squadron will authorize to be used for the purchase of "this" application (it does not have to be the present actual Squadron dues amount).* There is NO annual rebate for a PUFL program purchased at the minimum rate allowable,
4. Indicate the "Last Year Paid" and the "Consecutive Years" for that year.

**PAYMENT METHOD SECTION:**

1. **HOW TO CALCULATE THE UNDER 18 AMOUNT:** [The figures used are for per-capita effective for 2021 Membership Year.]
  - A. Combine the National per-capita (\$5.00) with the Detachment per-capita (\$8.00) for a total of \$13.00.
  - B. Multiply this amount by 1.5% [ $\$13.00 \times 1.5 = \$19.50$  then round up to the next whole dollar = \$20.00].
  - C. The additional charge is \$20.00 for each year the individual is under the age of 18. This is added to the amount shown in the "18 to 24" column on the rate chart for the dollar amount of the dues rate the Squadron is allowing you to use to purchase the program.
  - D. When paying on the "Time Payment Plan"; up to five (5) years MUST be included, as an additional portion to be added to the "Initial Payment" any balance will be included in the "Time Pay" amount.
2. **PAYMENT:**
  - A. "PUFL Membership" may be purchased as a "single (one time) payment" or with a "time payment program". Either method may be paid by the use of a "check" or a "credit/debit card". When the application is presented to the Squadron for certification, the payment method MUST be indicated.
  - B. Dues paid in advance (prior to 1 January each year) cannot be considered as part of the initial or full payment.
  - C. From 1 July, and received before 15 December, at the Department Headquarters, if all three (3) portions of the next years membership card is included with the PUFL application, those dues will be included as part of the PUFL Membership, at no additional fee.
  - D. After receipt of the application the PUFL Administrator will verify all information and amounts, obtain any corrections and will process the application (for both "single payment & time payment" programs.).
  - E. "Single payment" applications will be processed for immediate participation.

**GIFT SECTION:**

1. **IF GIVEN AS A GIFT:** Indicate donor. For a 3<sup>rd</sup> party we will need their name and address.
2. Indicate where the Card & pins are to be sent. IF NOT INDICATED they will be sent to the member.





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APPLICATION FOR A
PAID - UP - FOR - LIFE MEMBERSHIP
(PLEASE PRINT)

MEMBER'S NAME: (LAST) (FIRST) (MIDDLE)

STREET: APT.

CITY: STATE: ZIP:

BIRTH DATE: MEMBERSHIP NUMBER:

MEMBER IS A "DUAL" MEMBER { SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION & THE AMERICAN LEGION }:

I understand that the "PUFL Membership" is good ONLY as long as my membership is in a Squadron within the Detachment of Illinois, and it is not refundable, except, the unused portion, if, within the first (1st) twelve (12) months of my participation in the program [ Single or Time payment ], I transfer my membership to a Squadron outside of the Detachment of Illinois { there is a \$50.00 processing fee } or to my estate { no processing fee }, or if, at any time I am found to be ineligible for membership in The Sons of The American Legion { there is a \$100.00 processing fee }. I also understand that if I transfer to a Squadron outside of the Detachment of Illinois after that first (1st) twelve (12) months: 1). If I am participating in the "Time Payment Plan" there is NO REFUND of, and I forfeit, any amounts paid; 2). If my PUFL membership is paid in full, for any following years I must pay that "Out-of-State Squadron" for my membership dues, to maintain my membership and in order to keep my continuous years. If I would later transfer my membership back into a Detachment of Illinois Squadron this "PUFL Membership" can be reinstated at no additional cost. I also understand that upon returning to Illinois I must request reinstatement in the PUFL program, in writing, to the PUFL Administrator. I also understand that once the Detachment of Illinois has received the full payment for the "PUFL Membership" I will be issued a new (plastic) "PUFL Membership Card", cap & lapel pin. I also understand that if I transfer to another Illinois Squadron I will be issued a new "PUFL" Membership card.

DATE: SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: [ OMIT ONLY IF THE "PUFL MEMBERSHIP" IS A GIFT ]

DATE: SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN: [ MUST SIGN IF THE MEMBER IS UNDER THE AGE OF 18 - EXCEPTION, IF THE "PUFL MEMBERSHIP" IS A GIFT ]

THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED BY AN AUTHORIZED OFFICER: SQUADRON # [ ] [ AUTHORIZED OFFICER'S ARE: SQUADRON COMMANDER OR ADJUTANT; POST COMMANDER OR ADJUTANT OR LEGION SQUADRON ADVISOR ]

AUTHORIZED ("DUES") AMOUNT USED TO CALCULATE THE "PUFL Fee": \$ [ ] . 00 [ THIS MAY BE ANY AUTHORIZED AMOUNT, MINIMUM OR HIGHER, NOT NECESSARILY THE SQUADRON'S ACTUAL ANNUAL DUES ] The Squadron/Post understands that if the PUFL Membership is purchased for the minimum amount there is NO annual rebate. Also any rebates would not begin until the member reaches the age of 18.

LAST YEAR THIS MEMBER'S DUES WERE PAID: [ 2 ] [ 0 ] CONTINUOUS YEARS: [ ]

DATE SIGNED: AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: TITLE: (Mark one): Squadron: [ ] Commander [ ] Adjutant; Post: [ ] Commander [ ] Adjutant [ ] Squadron Advisor

PAYMENT METHOD: [ ] SINGLE (FULL) PAYMENT [ ] TIME PAYMENT [ Time pay agreement on the reverse ] [ ] CASH/CHECK [ ] CREDIT [ ] DEBIT [ ] INITIAL/[ ] FULL PAYMENT/CHARGE: \$ [ ] , [ ] . 00

Card Number: Expiration Date: [ ] - [ ]

Security Code: [ ] [ ] Master Card [ ] Visa [ ] Discover [ ] American Express

[ ] I AUTHORIZE the balance of the charges for "monthly payments" to be charged to the above card.

DATE: AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE :

GIFT: [ ] Purchased by: [ ] Squadron [ ] Post [ ] Unit [ ] Riders # [ ]

[ ] PURCHASED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail Card & Pins to: [ ] Member [ ] Squadron, Post, Unit, Chapter [ ] Gift giver \* APPLICATION APPROVED BY: \_\_\_\_\_



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2. The applicant must be a **member in good standing**, meaning the member **MUST** have a valid membership card for the current Sons of The American Legion Membership Year and have been issued a nine (9) digit national membership number.
3. Dues paid in advance (prior to 1 January each year) cannot be considered as part of the initial or full payment.
4. From July thru December, if all three (3) portions of the next years membership card is included with the PUFL application, those dues will b included as part of the PUFL Membership, at no additional fee.
5. After receipt of the application the PUFL Administrator will verify all information and amounts, obtain any corrections and will process the application (for both "single payment & time payment" programs.)
6. "Single payment" applications will be processed for immediate participation.
7. **HOW TO CALCULATE THE UNDER 18 AMOUNT:** [ The figures use are for per-capita for 2021. ]
  - A. Combine the National per-capita (\$5.00) with the Detachment per-capita (\$8.00) for a total of \$13.00.
  - B. Multiply this amount by 1.5% [ \$13.00 x 1.5 = \$19.50 then round up to the next whole dollar = \$20.00 ].
  - C. The additional charge is \$20.00 for each year the individual is under the age of 18. This is added to the amount shown in the "18 to 24" column on the rate chart for the dollar amount of the dues rate the Squadron is allowing you to use to purchase the program.
  - D. When paying on the "Time Payment Plan"; **up to five (5) years MUST be included in the "Inital Payment" the balance can be on Time Pay.**

**TIME PAYMENT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT**

1. "Time payment participation":
  - A. The initial charge will be a minimum of \$100.00 regardless of the "dues" amount) — [ *Any additional amount is acceptable* ] ]
    - a. If the member is under the age of eighteen (18), a minimum of five (5) years of this amount is considered as a part of the "Initial Payment". Any balance of the "under 18 amount" will be applied to the balance due.
  - B. The balance due will be divided into twenty-three (23) monthly payments (rounded to the next highest dollar), any adjustments will be made on the final payment.
    - a. Payment by "credit / debit card": Monthly charges will be processed to the credit / debit card.
    - b. Payment by monthly check: The PUFL Administrator will mail the applicant (or purchaser) a supply of monthly coupons, and address labels, to be used in submitting *MONTHLY* payments to the Department until the entire PUFL fee is paid-in-full. [ **DO NOT** submit monthly payments to the *Squadron*. ]
2. The total "PUFL Fee" should be paid within twenty-three (23) months after the application is processed by the Adjimistrator and consecutive monthly payments are to be maintained. Delinquent accounts may be closed with or without notice to the member (or purchaser).
3. The member (or purchaser). Paying with a monthly check, may pay more than the minimum amount each month [ **all payments MUST be made in whole dollars** ]; however, payment is expected each consecutive month. Nuch thae same as a credit card account, paying in advance, or more than the minimum amount, simply means the account is paid off earlier.
4. The permanent (plastic) "PUFL Membership Card" will be issued **ONLY** after the PUFL fee has been paid-in-full. If annual "Membership Cards" are issued before the fee is paid-in-full, the member will receive an annual card with the notation "TIME PAY".
5. No refund of payment(s) will be made if the member (or purchaser) chooses to discontinue participation in the "Time Payment Plan" or if the Administrator must close the account (delinquent payments, returned checks, refused charges from the credit card provider, etc.). Any funds previously submitted on the cancelled account will not be credited to a new application.
6. REFUND EXEMPTIONS (minus any funds used), within the firs (1<sup>st</sup>) twelve (12) months of participation (Single or Time Payment) if: a) The membe r expires [ no processing fee ]; b) The member transferrs to a Squadron, outside the Detachment of Illinois [ \$50.00 processing fee ]; After twelve (12) months (there is no refund of amounts paid), if the member transferrs back to a Squadron in the Detachment of Illinois, he may request to be reinstated [ no processing fee ]. c) /at abt tunem uf tge ubduvudyak us fiybd ti be *nnot eligible* for membership [ \$100.00 processing fee ]. ( *All requests for refund or reinstatement MUST be made, in writting, to the PUFL Administrator.* )

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: \_\_\_\_\_  
[ OMIT ONLY IF THE "PUFL MEMBERSHIP" IS A GIFT ]

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN: \_\_\_\_\_  
[ MUST SIGN IF THE MEMBER IS UNDER THE AGE OF 18 — EXCEPTION, IF THE "PUFL MEMBERSHIP" IS A GIFT ]

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ GIFT PROVIDER SIGNATURE : \_\_\_\_\_